

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**

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**TO:** Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: SB1149** by Harris (Relating to the electronic transmission of health benefit information between a health benefit plan issuer and a physician or health care provider. ), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

This bill would amend the Insurance Code relating to the electronic transmission of health benefit information between a health benefit plan issuer and a physician or health care provider. Based on the responses from the agencies, it is assumed that any additional work resulting from the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds majority vote in each house. If the bill does not receive a two-thirds vote in each house, the bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 323 Teacher Retirement System, 327 Employees Retirement System, 454 Department of Insurance, 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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